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## **VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Mr. Charles L. A. Terreni Chief Clerk and Administrator South Carolina Public Service Commission P.O. Drawer 11649 Columbia, South Carolina 29211 Verizon Communications
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RE: Docket No. 2005-15-C/ Generic Proceeding Established Pursuant to Commission Order No. 2004-466 to Address the Appropriate Rate Classification or Rate Structure for Telephone Lines Located in Elevators and for Telephone Lines Located in Proximity to Swimming Pools

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Verizon Communications, Inc., please find an original and ten (10) copies of a Petition to Intervene in the above-referenced docket. By copy of this letter and Certificate of Service, the Parties of Record are being served with a copy of the Petition.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Regards,

Stan Bugner State Director

**Enclosure** 

cc: Dan Arnett, ORS-Chief of Staff (via U.S. Mail)

Parties of Record (via U.S. Mail)

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THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN RE:	
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PETITION TO INTERVENE OF VERIZON SOUTH, INC.

Pursuant to South Carolina Code of Regulations R 103-836A(3), Verizon South Inc. ("Verizon" or "Company") hereby petitions the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") for permission to intervene in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of its petition, Verizon states as follows:

- 1. The Company is a corporation and entity existing under the laws of Virginia and has been certified by the Commission to provide, and is currently providing, local exchange, coin, access and intraLATA toll telecommunications services in South Carolina, which are services subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission.
- 2. For purposes of this proceeding, Verizon's authorized and legal representatives in this matter, to whom all correspondence or communications should be addressed, are:

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- 3. On or about October 5, 2004, the Commission issued Order No. 2004-466, wherein the Commission held that a generic proceeding should be established to address the appropriate rate classification or rate structure for telephone lines located in elevators and for telephone lines located in proximity to swimming pools.
- 4. On or about January 25, 2005, the Commission issued a Notice of Proceeding, so that the Commission may receive relevant information related to the potential impact of reclassification of these types of telephone lines, i.e. those telephone lines required by regulation or code for safety or emergency use, such as telephone lines required to be located in elevators or in proximity to swimming pools.
- 5. Because Verizon has a significant number of multi-story buildings, condominiums, apartments, duplexes and other similar dwelling units in its service area, any decision of the Commission in this docket will have a direct impact on the Company. Therefore, Verizon has a direct and substantial interest in this docket and respectfully requests permission to intervene in this matter as a full party of record.
- 6. Verizon wishes to assist the Commission in the development of a full and fair record, which will assist the Commission competently to resolve the issues in this proceeding. Verizon's position in this matter will be more fully detailed at the hearing and/or after completion of any discovery.

7. Verizon is informed and believes that its request to be made a party of record in this docket is in the interest of the public, is consistent with the policies of the Commission for public participation in the matters before it, and is necessary for the development of a full and complete record to address the concerns and views of Verizon.

Accordingly, Verizon respectfully requests that the Commission, (1) grant this request and issue an order permitting Verizon to participate in this proceeding as a full party of record; (2) allow Verizon to participate fully in the this proceeding and to take such positions as it deems advisable; and (3) grant any other and further relief as is just and proper.

Respectfully submitted this the 9th day of February, 2005.

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This is to certify that I, Amber L. Landsman, have caused to be served this day, one (1) copy of the Petition to Intervene by Verizon Communications, Inc., in the above referenced docket by placing a copy of same in the care and custody of the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid and affixed thereto, and addressed as follows:

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